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Fahd receives Zawawi



Crown Prince Fahd

TAIF, Sept. 25 (SPA) — Oman's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Quis al-Zawawi, arrived here Monday and had talks shortly afterwards with Crown Prince Fahd.

Zawawi said his visit was "part of the continuous process of coordination and cooperation between Oman and Saudi Arabia in the general interest of the two countries and the Arab nation."

Habash, Assad hold 1st meeting in 10 years

DAMASCUS, Sept. 25 (R) — Syrian President Hafez Assad has had his first meeting in more than 10 years with Dr. George Habash, leader of the radical Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), which has criticized Syria's attitude to the Middle East crisis.

The meeting took place in Damascus Sunday night. Habash arrived here Wednesday for a conference of the Arab "Steadfastness and Confrontation Front," which includes Syria.

The Damascus government has not abandoned the possibility of a negotiated Middle East settlement through the Geneva conference on the basis of United Nations resolutions.

Assad in Amman today

AMMAN, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — Syria's President Hafez Assad will visit Amman Tuesday for talks with King Hussein in the wake of the Camp David accords between Egypt and Israel, the Jordanian government announced Monday night.

On Sunday night, Jordanian Prime Minister Modar Badran said King Hussein will shortly make a tour of several Arab countries for talks on the Camp David accords.

Badran told the official Jordan News Agency the king would also send envoys to other Arab capitals to explain Jordan's position and propose a common Arab response to latest Middle East peace developments.

The king will also brief a number of world leaders, Badran said.

Badran did not name the Arab countries the king intended to visit, but observers here thought they would include Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states.

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Ministry examines transport of desalinated water to Riyadh

RIYADH, Sept. 25 (SPA) — Governor of Riyadh Prince Salman Monday presided over a meeting at the Ministry of Agriculture and Water to discuss the piping of desalinated water from the Gulf to the capital.

Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh, minister of agriculture and water, gave a brief sketch of the dimensions of the project currently underway. The project aims to meet the needs of rural areas for drinking water also, he said.

As part of the project, the capital's depleting aquifers are to be supplemented by water piped from Jubail. Contracts for the vast Stage Two of the Jubail desalination project, which will have capacity of 175 million gallons a day, are expected to be awarded during

this financial year.

Prince Salman expressed his appreciation of the project and said that what was now being implemented had only been a dream in the past. He commended the Ministry of Agriculture and Water for its work.

The meeting, which lasted

Commerce makes rules for hotel safety, ease

RIYADH, Sept. 25 (SPA)

— New standards and specifications for hotels and motels in Saudi Arabia were announced Monday by the Hotel Division of the Ministry of Commerce.

They include safety and security measures, and guidelines for furniture and fixtures, general appearance and

more than two hours, was attended by members of the board of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation (SWCC), the Higher Committee for the Development of Riyadh, the board of Riyadh's Water and Sewage Department and deputy ministers of Agriculture and Water.

The new rules make it compulsory, to keep fire alarm devices and advanced extinguishers in good working condition near the rooms.

Hotels and motels must also follow the instructions of the Civil Defense Department regarding emergencies.

Buildings must be decorated and all windows must have curtains.

In addition, clients are to be treated courteously and the entrance halls and lobbies must be presentable.

Saudi-funded weather posts open in Yemen

SANA, Sept. 25 (SPA) — President Abdullah Saleh of North Yemen Sunday opened a meteorological station at Sanaa Airport and secondary posts at Taiz and Hodeida Airports, which were built by a Saudi firm and financed by the Saudi government.

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TRADE FINANCE: Representatives of the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank and the Pakistan Oil Refinery Co. signing an agreement Monday, whereby the IDB will provide a \$15m loan to finance Pakistan crude imports from Abu Dhabi.

Zia says

Sharia will link Kingdom, Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 25 (SPA) — Pakistan will soon announce a definition of Muslim society for the swift enforcement of the Sharia, President Zia-ul-Haq said Monday.

The step will further reiterate ties between Pakistan and the Kingdom, he told SPA here Monday.

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tions between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

The Kingdom, he said, is not only the leader of the Arab nation but also carries the banner of Islam because it bases policy on Islamic teachings.

Cooperation between the two countries will be mutually beneficial and serve the interests of the Islamic nation as a whole, he added.

The president expressed his gratitude to the Saudi government for their support and assistance to Pakistan.

In Jeddah Monday, a further group of 1364 Pakistani pilgrims arrived for the Hajj on board the "Safina-e-Arab", according to the Pakistan embassy.

They were received at the port by Pakistan's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Maj. Gen. (Retd.) Fazal Muqeem Khan.

This year, Pakistan is sending 14,000 pilgrims by sea and 24,000 by air. Five thousand pilgrims have already arrived by sea.

Air pilgrims will start arriving on Oct. 2.

There are no reports of ill health.

Arabia
In Mecca, the Muslim World

League announced Monday it will send four Arabic teachers, 2,000 copies of the Holy Quran and a set of books on Islam to the Maldives Islands.

An agreement was reached Monday between Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harkan, the league's secretary general, and Dr. Muhammad Zaber Al-Husseini, education undersecretary of the Maldives Republic. The agreement covers league assistance to the Maldives in education.

Husseini commended the Kingdom's pioneer role in the service of Islam and Islamic societies.

IDB to finance Abu Dhabi oil for Pakistan

JEDDAH, Sept. 25 (SPA) — The Islamic Development Bank (IDB) is to finance Pakistani imports of crude oil from Abu Dhabi, under a \$15 million loan agreement signed here Monday.

Acting IDB President Dr. Said Ahmad Minai signed the agreement with the Pakistan Oil Refinery Co. as part of the bank's program of financing ventures between Muslim countries.

Kingdom to bolster budget with SR3.2b from state reserves

By Elias Haddad

JEDDAH, Sept. 25 — The government will transfer SR 3.2 billion (\$970 million) from the state reserves to the budget account.

The royal decrees published last week and this week in the official gazette "Umm Al-Qura" instructed the deputy prime minister and cabinet members to transfer SR 2.2 billion (\$666 million) and SR 1 billion (\$300 million).

The first transfer will finance the \$14 billion gas gathering system now being constructed in the Eastern Province, it was announced in the gazette of Sept. 15.

The project, to be completed in 1983, is presently planned to

collect 3.29 billion cubic feet per year of associated gas that is now flared.

The second decree, issued this week, calls for the transfer of SR 1 billion to the budget general reserves.

The official gazette gave further details.

The transfer coincided with a report early this month by the International Monetary Fund which said that Saudi Arabia's overall balance of international payments slipped into deficit in the tune of \$1.4 billion in the first quarter of 1978.

Fahd meets Ulema

TAIF, Sept. 25 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd Monday afternoon received the Ulama and Sheikhs as is custom every Monday.

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• RIYADH, (SPA) — The Arab Broadcasting Federation's general assembly here Monday appointed new committees for Administrative and Financial Affairs, Legal Affairs and Satellite Communications.

Muhammad Al-Tuwaijri, deputy director general of the Gulf Arab Education Bureau, will attend UNESCO meeting of experts in Tunis Oct. 2 through 6.

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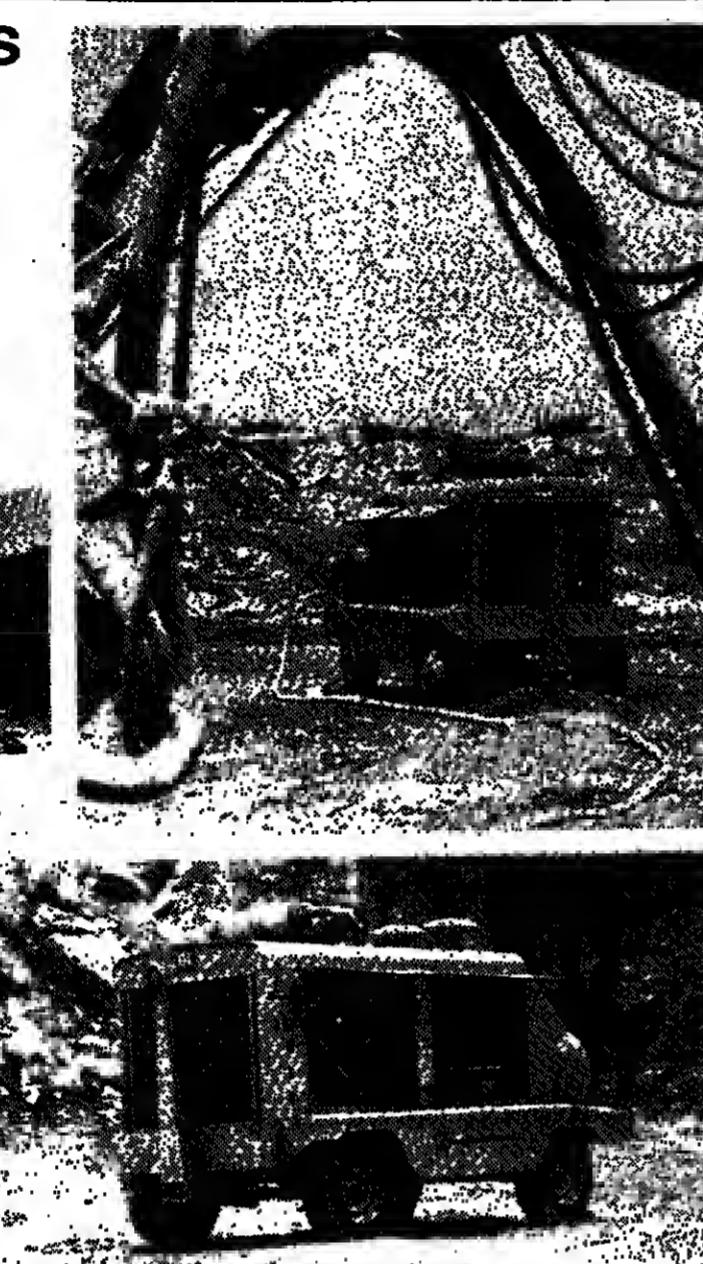
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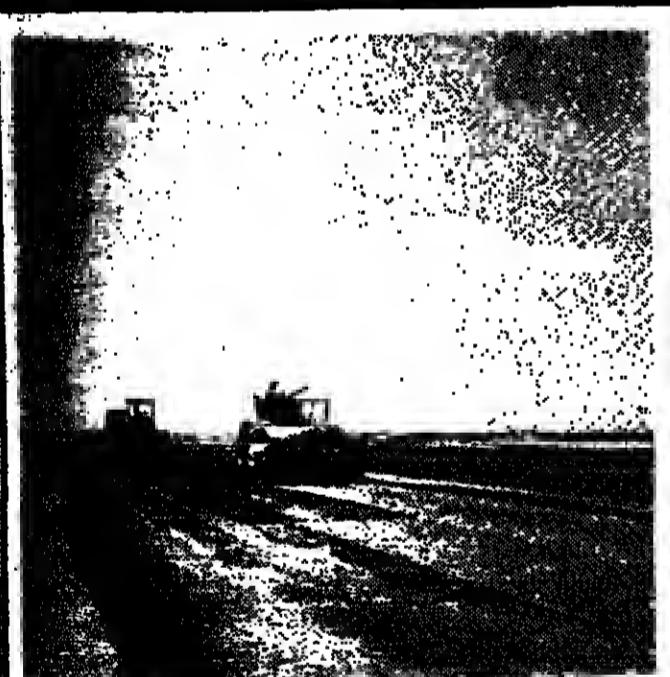
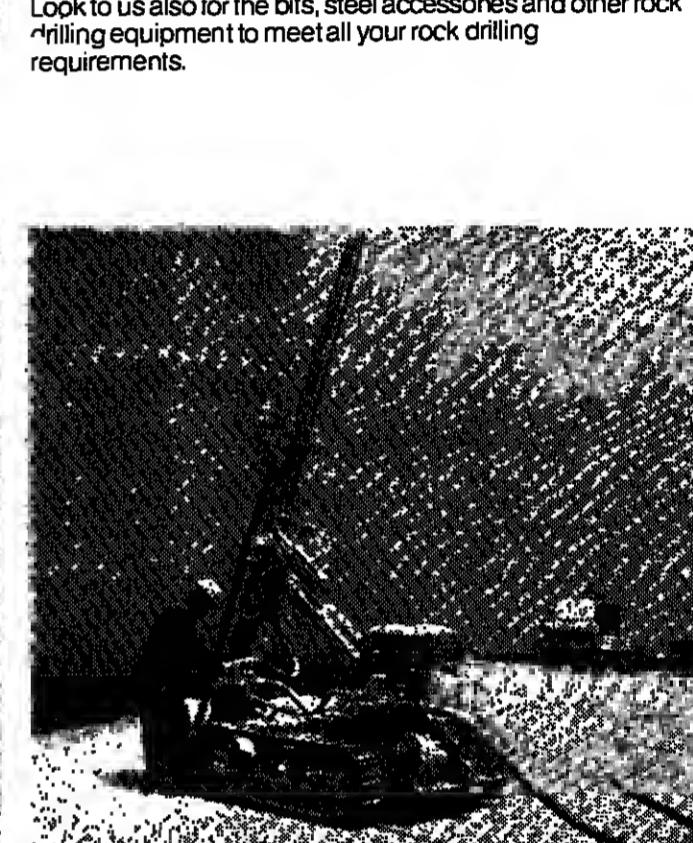
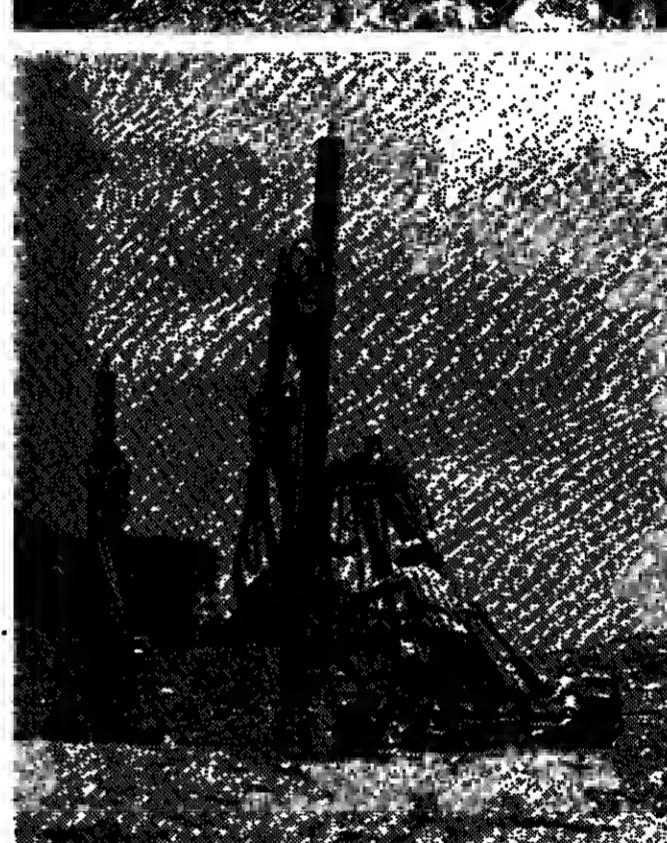
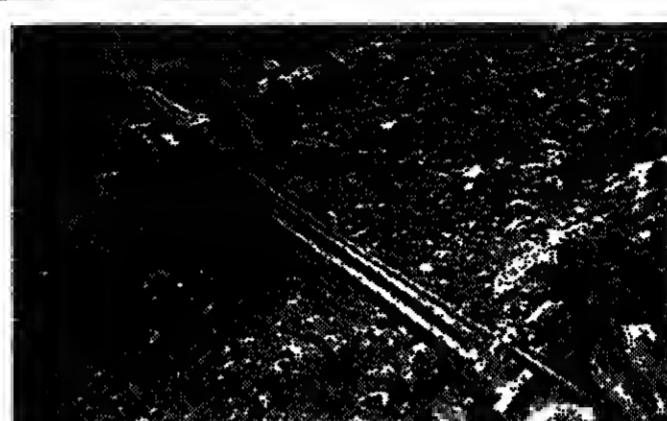


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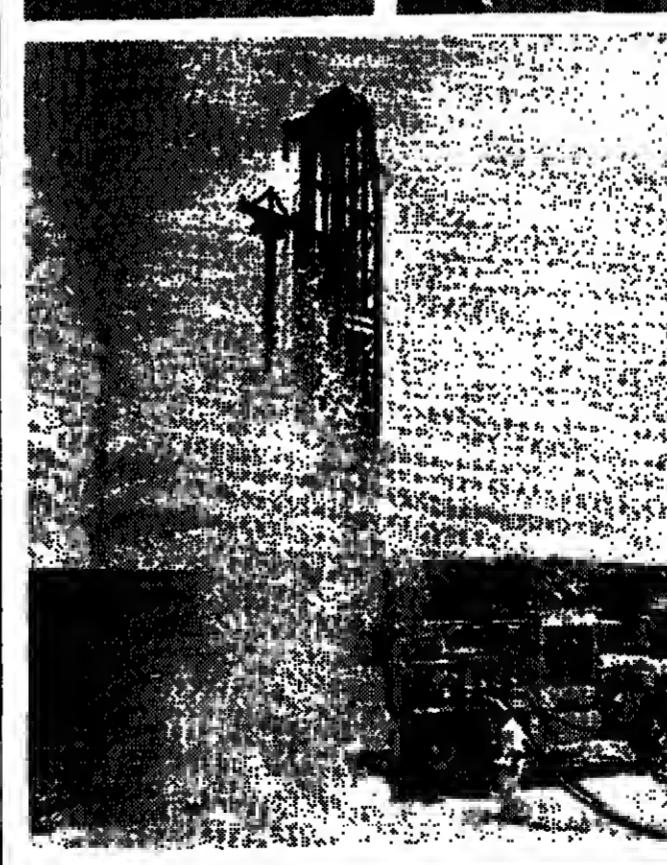
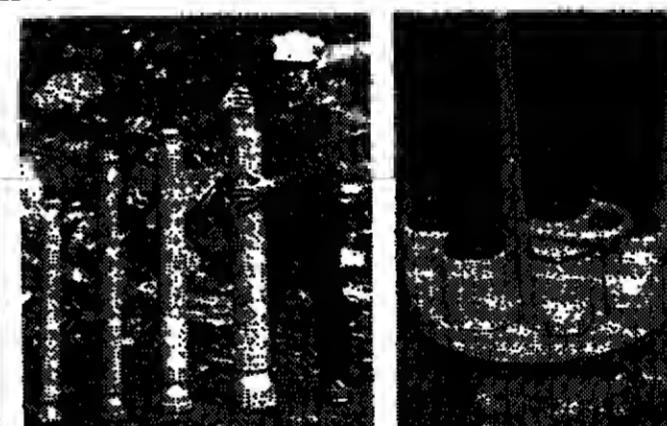
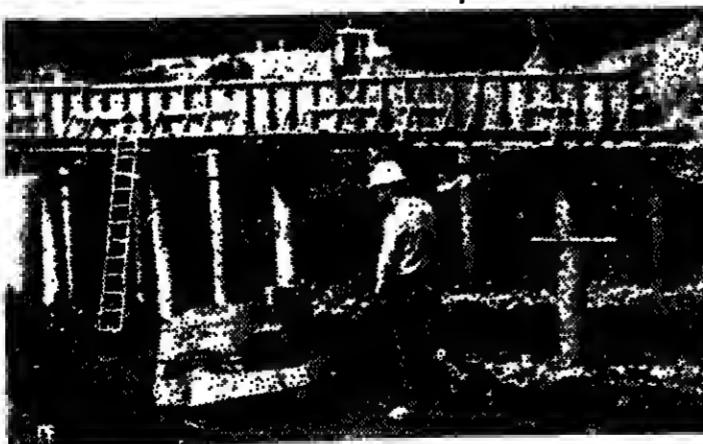


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Another British effort

Rhodesian talks said in sight

LONDON, Sept. 25 (R) — Britain was Monday planning another — and possibly final — attempt at a political settlement in Rhodesia.

After a flurry of weekend activity, informed sources here said another initiative was being launched.

Britain is renewing diplomatic efforts to bring all black and white leaders to the conference table.

1,000 Vietnam refugees landed on empty island

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept. 25 (AP) — More than 1,000 Vietnamese refugees stranded in the south China Sea for more than a week on the Southern Cross have been landed on uninhabited Penghu Island, in Indonesian waters midway

between peninsular Malaysia and Indonesian Borneo.

The United Nations High Commission for Refugees announced Monday they were landed two days ago with the permission of the Indonesian authorities.

The 850-ton Irania-owned freighter had been lying in international waters off the Malaysian east coast after it had been barred from entering Malaysia and Singapore. Malaysia had supplied the boat with food.

The refugees, nearly 500 of them children, fled Vietnam in four small boats. The freighter found the boats with engine trouble in the Gulf of Thailand two weeks ago and took on the refugees.

Both Malaysia and Singapore had said they would allow the refugees to land if a third country agrees to take them in permanently.

The UNHCR is asking the United States to give them sanctuary.

Workmen will try Monday to knock the oil-spewing pipe back into the 1,000-meter deep cavern where the crude is stored. If the plan works, oil spilling from the huge storage cavern will be stopped long enough for workers to move in.

Then they will try to set an explosive plug in the hole.

The fire erupted Thursday after an explosion that killed one man and seriously burned another.

The blaze is over a cavern holding seven million barrels of crude, one of six storage caverns hollowed out of a Gulf Coast salt dome.

Botha, Plural Relations Minister Connie Mulder and Foreign Minister P. Botha — the only relative liberal in the race are receiving the most attention.

Weekend polling of parliamentarians indicated Mulder had moved ahead of Pieter Botha but that the contest

was still wide open and P. Botha was picking up support.

None of the three candidates looked likely at this stage to withdraw from contention, party sources said. So a secret ballot was possible for the first time since Hendrik Verwoerd won a caucus election for the premiership in 1958.

After the assassination in 1966 of Verwoerd, Vorster's sole opponent for the premiership, Ben Schoeman, then party leader in Transvaal Province, withdrew shortly before the election. Vorster was chosen unanimously with no vote needed.

If a three-way election is held and no one wins an overall majority of more than 50 per cent on the first ballot, the candidate polling fewest votes drops out and a second ballot is held to decide the victor.

Somoza has kept the Guard loyal through liberal fringe benefits, housing, medical care, and incentives that include lucrative business deals.

Businessmen accuse Somoza of being insatiably greedy, of mismanaging the economy and of fomenting a communist opposition merely by staying in office.

Journalists, seeking to balance reports on Somoza, were hard-pressed in recent weeks to find people on the street who had anything good to say about him. They often ask Americans why their country has been so reticent in her public statements concerning Nicaragua.

"This is only the beginning. I'm leaving for Costa Rica just as fast as I can," said one resident of Esteli, a city whose

President Somoza

A general strike by Somoza opponents continues. Whether large-scale violence will flare again, no one knows. But most observers agree that the fuse has only just begun to burn.

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LOVELY RITA: Rita Hayworth is pictured at one of her rare public appearances recently for a cancer research benefit in Chicago.

Dallas feature on Soviet TV analyzes Kennedy 'conspiracy'

MOSCOW, Sept. 25 (AP) —

Soviet television viewers were told Sunday that the assassination of President John F. Kennedy was a conspiracy involving more than one assassin, the CIA, the FBI, and Texas multimillionaire H. L. Hunt.

The program made no mention of Lee Harvey Oswald's links with the Soviet Union and Cuba.

Oswald, whom the Warren Commission concluded acted alone in the 1963 assassination

had previously lived for several years in the Soviet Union and later tried to visit Cuba.

Soviet television correspondent Valentin Zorin, who discussed the assassination, said, "According to everything that is known, persons from the CIA and FBI had a hand in this crime."

The program showed Zorin standing beside an open window at the book depository in downtown Dallas, from which Oswald was alleged to have fired at the late president.

The report that from this place he (Oswald) managed to make several sniper shots at a moving target is on the verge of fantasy — or, putting it more precisely, beyond the verge of fantasy," the Soviet correspondent told viewers.

Zorin said: "The first bullet hit the president in the throat. Such a trajectory from the window — located behind the

car — was impossible.

"The other shots which hit the president were obviously made out from a distance, but from close up," he said.

Zorin said gunmen may have been hiding behind a fence or on top of a railway overpass.

According to another version, he said, "Snipers were hidden in a covered water hatchway along the road. After firing the nearly point-blank shots at the president, the killers closed the hatchway and escaped along an underground route."

"Oswald was assigned to play the role of the fall guy."

"The subtlety of the preparation of the murder and the fact that each small detail was taken into account demonstrates not only the existence of a plot to get rid of the 35th president of the United States, but also the power of the forces which stood behind him."

ROME, Sept. 25 (AP) —

Corrado Alunni, reputed to be the leader of the Red Brigades, has been taken in great secrecy from a Milan jail to Rome to be viewed for possible identification by witnesses of the kidnapping of Aldo Moro. Police would not confirm whether he was taken to the capital on Saturday or Sunday.

The Italian news agency Ansa said he was taken from Rome to a nearby secret location.

The three latest killings in the Basque country appear to arouse fresh anger in the Civil Guard national police force, one of the main stays of Franco's regime.

The latest slayings came before the opening later in day of Senate debate on country's new constitution.

Speculation about the wave of killings has blamed possible alliance of the Marxist ETA with the leftist guerrillas of "The First of October Anti-Fascist Resistance Groups" (GRAPO).

Speculation also centred around Wednesday's being third anniversary of Franco's execution of five Spanish revolutionaries.

'Life' springs eternal

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 — A reincarnated "Life" magazine went on sale Monday. It "will not be the 'Life' people remember," says I. Graves, managing editor of the earlier magazine and its corporate editor.

Managing Editor Kunhardt says the main that remains from the old founder Henry Luce is ability to surprise readers pictures.

The October issue features ballooning, family reunions, the Shah of Iran, Aida and Halston. There are pictures of Jackie Kennedy Onassis, now 79 and one of four "Life" photographers.

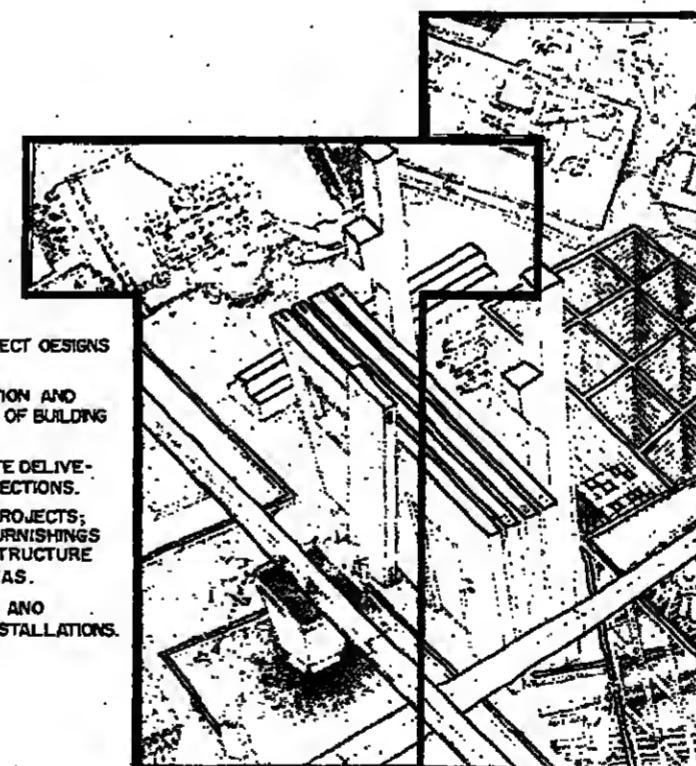
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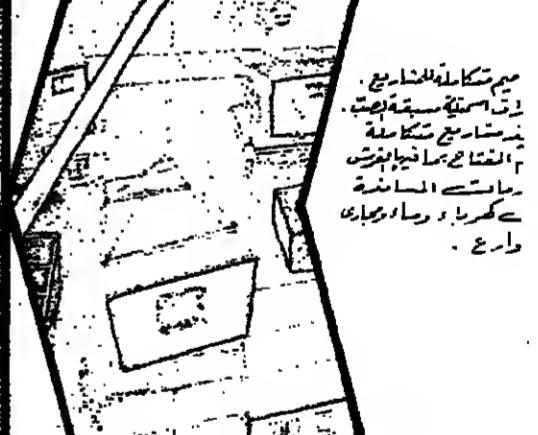
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IMF urges major nations to coordinate economies

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (AP) — Members of the International Monetary Fund urged major nations Sunday to work for closer coordination of their economies, saying the future value of the U.S. dollar probably depends on it.

They also agreed to a 50 per cent increase in the 135-nation institution's financial resources in the next five years, increasing the total to \$75 billion from the existing \$50 billion.

In a third important step, the members, including the United States, voted a \$15 billion increase in the IMF's special monetary asset, known as Special Drawing Rights. The SDR's as they are known, would be distributed to the members at the rate of \$5 billion a year.

An SDR is currently worth about 1.25 to U.S. dollars.

SDR's can be used as money for settling international trade and payments accounts between governments, but are not used commercially.

The actions were taken at a day-long meeting of the IMF's policy-making interim committee, which was meeting here prior to the formal opening Monday of the 33rd annual joint meeting of the IMF and the World Bank.

Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal represented the United States on the interim committee, which makes decisions on major issues for the IMF.

The committee said in a communiqué Sunday night that coordination of economic policies of major nations is needed because differences in inflation and growth rates led to disappointing economic results in the past year, including con-

tinuing high unemployment in many nations and a dramatic fall in the U.S. dollar.

Committee chairman Denis Healy, the British chancellor of the exchequer, told a news conference that the United States economy should grow more slowly next year while other nations should speed up their economic growth. He said this would reduce the huge U.S. trade deficit and trim the surpluses of other countries that help to cause the decline in the dollar, which was as much as 40 per cent against some currencies in the past 18 months.

The United States already has agreed to the approach outlined by the IMF members and President Carter is expected to announce a new anti-inflation program in the near future.

Healy said that overall, economic growth in the world probably will be about the same next year as in 1977 and 1978, but he said redistribution of growth among major nations, including the slowdown in the United States, would be a significant step forward.

He said that should set the stage for a substantial improvement in economic growth beginning in the second half of 1979, especially if value of the dollar can be stabilized.

The increase in the IMF's finances of \$25 billion beginning in 1980 came with surprising ease, since U.S. officials said last week they didn't think final agreement would be possible at the meetings here. The United States provides about 20 per cent of the total financing of the IMF, so its share of the \$25 billion increase would be about \$5 billion, which would have to be appropriated by Congress. The IMF finances are used to provide financial support to member nations which are experiencing economic difficulties.

Sunday's session set the stage for Monday's joint IMF-World Bank meeting and an expected renewal of the annual tug of war between rich and poor nations over the world's resources. As usual at these meetings, the United States and other wealthy nations are expected to make a commitment toward increasing aid to poor and developing countries, yet it likely will not satisfy those pressing for more.

Venezuela, Kuwait hold talks on oil

KUWAIT, Sept. 25 (R) — Venezuelan energy minister Valentín Hernández had talks here Monday with Kuwait Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, the current OPEC president, on the effect on oil prices and the continuing decline in the value of the U.S. dollar, Kuwaiti officials reported.

Hernández arrived Sunday night from Saudi Arabia and met the ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, and his crown prince and prime minister Sheikh Saad al-Abdullah al-Sabah before his talks with Sheikh Ali.

Kuwait and Venezuela are among members of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) which have called for an adjustment in the price of oil to compensate losses resulting from the fall in the exchange value of the dollar, the currency in which oil is priced.

OPEC oil ministers hold their next price-fixing meeting in December.

The officials said the two ministers had also discussed ways of furthering cooperation between their two countries in oil-related matters.

Bonn to write off debts owed by poor countries

BONN, Sept. 25 (R) — The West German government plans to write off 4.3 billion marks (\$2.2 billion) of debts owed by the poorest developing countries from Jan. 1 next year. Development Aid Minister Rainer Offergeld said

Offergeld told Reuters in an interview that a group of 30 countries will benefit from the scheme, which will be worked out in detail over the next few weeks.

Bangladesh, Sudan, Tanzania and Afghanistan will be the main countries to profit.

The planned debt-cancellation is along the lines laid down at a special meeting of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) in Geneva in March.

West Germany then pledged to give the poorest countries

Carter's energy plan 'heading for victory'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (AP) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter's embattled energy program appears headed for its first congressional victory as the House and Senate wade through busy agendas in hopes of finishing the year's work by mid-October.

The energy legislation has been bottled up in Congress for 17 months, while Carter has absorbed criticism from Western allies for not acting to curb America's dependence on imported oil.

The House has not yet acted on the plan.

Leak reduces capacity of Abu Dhabi gas plant

ABU DHABI, Sept. 25 (AP) — Abu Dhabi's multi-million dollar liquid natural gas plant on Das Island is operating at 75 per cent of planned capacity because of leaks discovered in two storage tanks, it was reported here.

The \$565-million plant constructed by Bechtel began operation last year. It was called a masterpiece of design and engineering and a milestone in the efforts of the Gulf states to harness their gas resources.

The first storage tank

sprung a leak last March and investigation revealed similar, though less serious problems in the second tank. The first tank has been completely closed.

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grants rather than credits. It also said it would consider a case-by-case remission of debts.

Sweden, Canada, Switzerland, Britain and the Netherlands have already announced that they are writing off the debts of the world's poorest countries.

Offergeld said the debt cancellation, which will cost West Germany 80 million marks (\$40 million) a year up to 2028, will be worked out on a country-by-country basis.

He added that the negotiation of individual settlements would take up to a year, but all agreements would be effective from Jan. 1.

Since the UNCTAD conference in March, West Germany has given cash grants to Botswana, Malawi, Tanzania and Chad.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Opening Monday	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.35	3.34
Pound Sterling	6.66	6.63
Deutsche Mark (100)	170.00	172.25
Swiss F (100)	223.00	224.50
French F (100)	76.75	76.75
Italian Lira (1000)	4.10	4.10
Lebanese Lira (100)	113.50	113.50
Syrian Lira (100)	88.00	88.00
Egyptian Pound	4.70	4.80
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.30	12.30
Jordanian Dinar	11.20	11.18
Emirates Dirham (100)	86.75	86.75
Qatari Riyal (100)	86.75	86.75
Bahraini Dinar	8.67	8.67
Iraqi Dinar	10.50	10.50
Iranian Riyal (100)	47.00	47.25
Yemeni Riyal (100)	74.00	74.00
South Yemeni Dinar	—	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)	77.50	83.50
Indian Rupee (100)	42.25	42.25
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.00
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Silver kg bar	635	—

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* " "	Catering for personnel in Nejran area	6	100	Oct. 21
* Municipality of Otaizah	Tearing of Helalat street and removing of rubble	1	50	Oct. 22
* Islamic University, Medina	Airconditioning of students' hostels	xx	150	Oct. 31
* Municipality of Qorayat	Drilling to two wells	xx	Free	Nov. 24
* Municipality of Mecca	Security of chemical fertilizer	4	20	Oct. 18
* " "	Securing of organic fertilizer	5	30	Oct. 18
* " "	Making a prefab lavatories at pilgrimage places	xx	xx	Oct. 22



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Berth	Vessel	Agent	Cargo	Arr. Date
1A	—	—	—	—
1	NEDLLOYD	ALATAS	CONTAINERS	25/9/1978
2	SCHELDE	—	—	—
3	SANTA ELENA	KANOO	GENERAL	25/9/1978
4	PING CHAU	ALATAS	GENERAL	24/9/1978
5	HUBALDUS	ORRI	STEEL/GENERAL	23/9/1978
6	TSING CHAU	ALATAS	CEMENT/GENERAL	20/9/1978
7	CEDAR STAR	O.C.E.	FROZ. CHICKEN	22/9/1978
8	GREEN VALLEY	KANOO	RICE/FLOUR/GENERAL	19/9/1978
9	GLORIOUS TRADER	VENUS	GEN/STEEL/TIMBER	20/9/1978
10	IBN HAZIM	KANOO	GEN/CONTAINERS	21/9/1978
11	—	—	—	—
12	EVIMERIA	ALSAADA	GEN/CONTAINERS	22/9/1978
13	EVER RELIANCE	S.A.M.A.	TIMBER	22/9/1978
14	FATHA AL KHAIR	BAGHDADI	DURRA/BEANS/SORGHUM	21/9/1978
15	HOUDA PEARL	ALWANI	BAGGED CEMENT	22/9/1978
16	KAWACHI MARU	ALIREZA	CONTAINERS	24/9/1978
17	ODYSSEUS	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT	23/9/1978
18	—	—	—	—
20	KANARIS	A.A.	BAGGED CEMENT	16/9/1978
21	FER JAMAICA	GULF	BAGGED CEMENT	5/9/1978
22	MILA	STAR NAV.	FROZ. CHICKEN	24/9/1978
22/23	PHILIPINES SAUDI	ORRI	HOTEL SHIP	22/8/1978
38	BARGES EX	KANOO	GENERAL	16/9/1978
39	ACADIA FOREST	ELHAWI	FROZEN CHICKENS	24/9/1978
40	SAMIR 1	—	—	—
41	BLUE OCEAN	BAABOUD	LOADING CARS	22/9/1978
42	AL SADIQ	S.E. ASIA	BAGGED CEMENT	16/9/1978
43	BENADIR	O.C.E.	BANANAS	22/9/1978
44	PEKARI	M.E.S.A.	BANANAS	19/9/1978
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CHINTA	RED SEA	WIREMESH	24/9/1978	
PING CHAU	ALATAS	CONTAINERS/GENERAL	24/9/1978	
SAMIR 1	ALHAWI	FROZ. CHICKENS	24/9/1978	
MILA	STAR NAV.	FROZ. CHICKEN/FRUIT	24/9/1978	
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CHALLENGER	ABUSHAL	CONTRS/GEN	25/9/1978	
DIMITRIOS	ALATAS	DURRA	25/9/1978	
NEDLLOYD	—	CONTAINERS	25/9/1978	
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Secretary Vance is back in Washington to report to President Carter on his lightning Middle Eastern tour. The mission was made necessary to assuage the fears of moderate Arab states that the Camp David agreements are a sell-out. If anything, the tour has proved to Mr. Vance that it has been quite necessary. This is not to say that the secretary of state has succeeded in winning over the Arab moderates. It will take more than words by Mr. Vance to set Arab-American relations straight.

Immediately after the conclusion of the Camp David agreements, President Carter assured the Arabs via a press conference that the agreements are not a final step but rather represent a framework for peace. Mr. Vance later repeated this stance in almost identical words. The same position was adopted a few days later by Zbigniew Brzezinski, the presidential adviser, who took pains to underline the vital role that the moderate Arab states must play to ensure the success of the Camp David accords.

The repeated American assurances only confirm that there is reason for Arab apprehension. The two documents of Camp David are separate: The peace treaty between Egypt and Israel could still be signed even if the agreement on the West Bank crumbles. The shortcomings of the second agreement, as far as the Arabs are concerned, deserve a study on their own. Suffice to say that it incorporates most of the old Begin plan which was rejected way back in November.

The moderate—and radical—Arabs, however, have no rights over Begin himself or, for that matter, over President Sadat. But they are apprehensive that the U.S. might have finally taken a position against their interest. And since this is the time for "explaining" Mr. Vance, or, better still, Mr. Carter may want to close up the U.S. position on Israeli settlements.

Since 1967, successive American presidents and their secretaries of state and U.N. ambassadors have stated that the presence of Israeli settlements in occupied Arab territories is illegal. The Camp David accords make the existing ones in the West Bank and Gaza legal and Begin is even contesting the U.S. assertion that he has made a moratorium on future settlements. So in the dispute over the future settlements, the present ones are suddenly legalized. And this is without even having to go into the subject of Jerusalem.

The moderate Arabs appreciate American explanations and pledges but so far they have not been convinced. They worry that in the absence of conviction and an honest American position, they may come under pressure from their radical brothers to adopt a more forceful attitude against the protagonists of a solution that is breaking the Arab world in two. The radicals will have no choice but to look toward the Soviet Union for help and Moscow will be given a golden opportunity to return to the Middle East through the wide door having been kicked out of the window. Of course, there is always the chance that the Soviet Union has been in on the deal from the very beginning.

The U.S. must work with utmost dispatch to rehabilitate itself with the Arab moderates and salvage its credibility. The moderates' position notwithstanding, the U.S. will have to do this if only to support its contention that the moderates are necessary to accomplish peace.

saudi press review

"Okaz" editorial dealt with the statement issued by the Saudi Ministry of Foreign Affairs about the visit to the Kingdom of Mr. Cyrus Vance, the U.S. Secretary of State. The paper extolled the statement as a reiteration of the Saudi position regarding the Middle East question.

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"Al-Riyad" Daily also commented on the Vance visit and made it clear that any proposed solution of the Middle East question that does not take into consideration what the Saudi statement referred to would be totally rejected. The paper stressed the crucial importance of returning Jerusalem to Arab sovereignty, as well as the recognition of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian

people under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The road that the Arabs want to take towards a solution had been known for thirty years before Camp David, the paper said.

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"Al-Medina" editorial discussed the visit of Mr. Vance and the Saudi statement saying that the United States appreciates the importance and weight of Saudi Arabia in the world which are bound to have serious repercussions in political circles. The objective of the Saudis is to realize a just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East and that without Jerusalem and the full satisfaction of the Palestinians this shall not be achieved.

Drill bits and diplomacy

By Tom Decola

DALLAS —

The deal is as complex as the chunk of equipment at its heart — a tough, multi-faced oil-drill bit that Russia wants.

Dresser Industries, based in Dallas, is eager to sell the Soviet Union a plant to make the bits, and President Jimmy Carter has approved.

But other high officials are fighting the deal — and in Washington, a Senate subcommittee on investigations told Dresser to produce a wide range of documents Monday so the matter can get a new review.

So the stage is set for two big questions to be asked:

— Will this deal help the Russians at the cost of American security?

— Even if it doesn't, should the United States use such trade deals as a lever to pressure the Russians into such policies as better treatment of dissidents?

In the larger scale of Dresser Industries' \$3 billion annual sales figures, the proposal to sell \$145 million worth of the drill bits to the Soviet Union over three years doesn't seem very big.

But E.R. Luter, senior vice president of Dresser Industries, who has assumed the role of company spokesman in the matter, can recite from memory the events that have brought it to the Senate committee.

Six years ago, he says, the Russians approached Dresser about building a plant to produce the rock drill bits. A plant at Kuibyshev is already manufacturing bits, but this one would increase production there by some 100,000 bits annually.

Because of differences in drilling technique, the Soviet bits rotate much faster, and wear out faster. Dresser's bit has the advantage of being particularly tough and long-lasting.

Continuing his discussion of the Camp David accords and particularly the role played by President Sadat, Al-Medina columnist Mr. Salahuddin said in effect that Mr. Sadat had reneged on his earlier promises with regards to a just and comprehensive solution of the Middle East question.

Mr. Sadat's conditions for a just and comprehensive peace in the region used to include his insistence that Israel should withdraw from all the occupied lands, the restitution of full sovereignty over the liberated lands and the dismissal of any possibility for a separate peace treaty with Israel.

Mr. Salahuddin said that the Palestinians cannot be blamed if they rejected the Camp David accords.

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On the other hand, Eugene Fubini, a Texas Instruments director who is chairman of the Defense Science Board's task force, says the report addresses an overall question of exportation of technology.

Jackson sees no incompatibility. He stresses both arguments:

"First, should we give them this high-grade technology, which will substantially improve their oil production, at a time when they are arresting Americans? ... Second, this technology has certain military implications. It will enable them to manufacture a certain type of armor-piercing shell which they would not otherwise be capable of doing."

Luter, however, calls the suggestion that the sale has military implications "ridiculous on two counts. The Russians are already producing tungsten carbide — it was used in World War II, but it's no longer used. There's a much more effectively alloy called bevmet, made up of tungsten, nickel and copper. Any one who thinks the Russians don't have armor-piercing shells should have been in Vietnam."

He also says the computer, made by Sciaky Bros. of Chicago, is available in France, where the Sciaky Bros. started business, and in Japan, the United Kingdom and West and East Germany.

So, despite the Bucy report and Jackson's objections, Carter again upheld the sale last week.

"The day after that," Luter said, "we got a call from the Jackson staff saying they'd issued a subpoena for all our records on the project."

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Transkei: the Black African country no one wants to recognize

By Carlyle Murphy
UMTATA — When Transkei's ambassador-at-large comes to the U.S. Congress and senators to recite the reasons why his country should be recognized by the U.S. government, he unfolds a 1890s U.S. War Department map of Africa and points to the spot marked "Transkei" to bolster his arguments.

"See, I tell them," Ambassador Ngoondi Masimini relates, "your government's map shows Transkei long before South Africa existed in its present form."

But Masimini's affable manner and historical arguments fail to convince, and Transkei, the first black area to become an "independent" state under South Africa's policy of separate development for non-whites, wanders in a diplomatic wilderness, shunned by the international community.

No country except South Africa has recognized Transkei since South Africa declared it independent in October 1976, and no country appears likely to.

The problem is that Transkei represents the ultimate in the South African racial separation policy of apartheid, recently renamed "plural democracy," under which the nation's 18 million blacks are being assigned to nine homelands largely on the basis of what language they speak.

In the end, these 18 million will no longer be South Africans, but citizens of nine independent countries that critics note will put 75 per cent of the population on 13 per cent of the land, noticeably excluding major industrial and urban areas, as well as the gold mines of the Transvaal.

Divided into three separate pieces, which together are twice the size of Israel, Transkei is a land of beautiful mountains, forests and rivers that descend onto the rugged 320-kilometer wild coast along the Indian Ocean. It is in Transkei that 4 million speakers of Xhosa are to exercise their national political aspirations.

The question of just how independent Transkei has become is complex, especially when the answer is measured in money. Parking meters in downtown Umtata, the country's capital, still take South Africa's 5-cent pieces and in fact South African currency is used for all financial transactions. Transkei imports 90 per cent of its food from South Africa and all of its fuel. Half of Transkei's current budget comes from South Africa, largely from customs duties and taxes on the wages of Transkei workers collected in South Africa.

Compounding the economic dependence on South Africa is Transkei's beated claim to land parcels that the white government refuses to give up, although they show as parts of Transkei on old documents such as Masimini's U.S. visa.

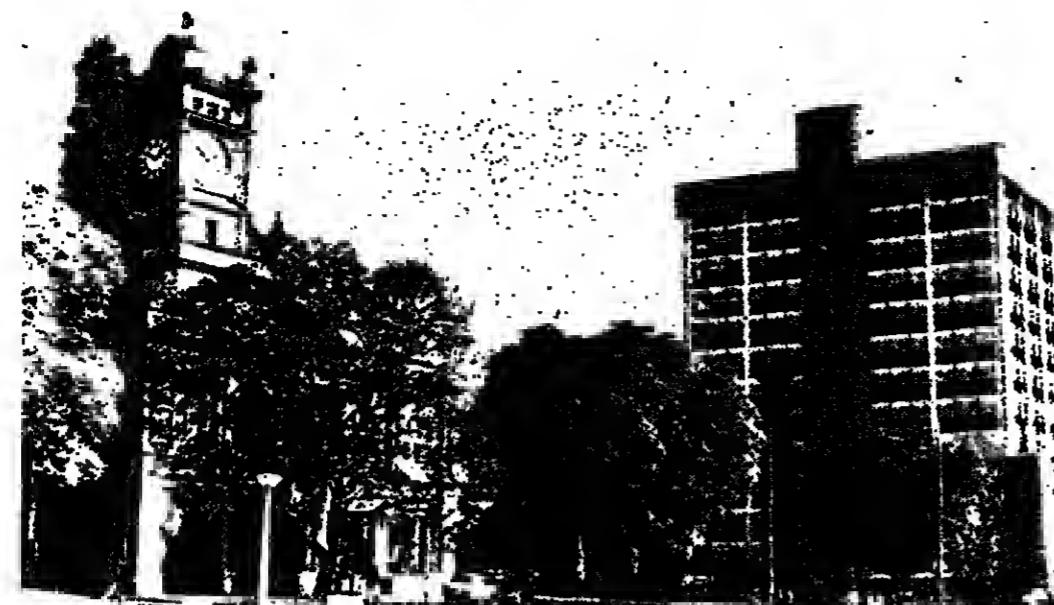
Pretoria's apparent refusal to take seriously Transkei's claims to the area known as East Griqualand so enraged Prime Minister Kaiser D. Matanzima that he exercised his own sovereign rights April 10 and cut off diplomatic relations with South Africa.

Next Matanzima indicated to Pretoria that he considers all the pre-independence agreements to be breakable on whim. He ended the mutual non-aggression pact the two governments had signed.

Rupture of this pact means that South African naval vessels are supposed to steer clear of Transkei waters and South African military planes must not overfly Transkei airspace.

Matanzima has also threatened to train his 323-man army "for the future confrontation with the whites of South Africa" and for retaking the land he claims for Transkei.

The Transkei leader dismissed the white South African



The view from Main Street in the Transkei capital, Umtata.

cans who were training his army, which he intends to double this year, and replaced them with a black Transkeian brigadier.

Foreign Minister Digby Koyana recently invited "any African countries to come forward and train our officers and army and fill the vacuum which we have deliberately created by removing the South Africans."

Transkeian officials have even invited South Africa's arch enemies, the banned African National Congress (ANC) and Pan Africanist Congress (PAC), at open offices in Transkei.

The reaction to Matanzima's anti-South Africa stance has largely been very mixed, with some critics making references to Gilbert and Sullivan operettas and others, like Transkeian opposition parliamentarian Sizwe Mda, asking embarrassing questions in the legislative assembly.

"What do we do if South Africa cuts off our fuel? If their planes flew over the assembly, we could only go out and call them names," he said.

Despite Transkei's dubious status and uncertain future, the 60-odd roads that cross its borders with South Africa, only two of which have border control posts, lead to a place of striking beauty where residents say independence has brought chances, some of them for the better.

"The whites have accepted (the changes), taken it normally, the right way," said black reporter Vuyani Mreyanna. "They've shown that the heavens do not fall when things like this happen."

In Port St. Johns on Transkei's wild coast, a man who asked not to be named "because I want to stay here," said, when asked about changes, "well, we've got four young (black) men who work in the bank living across the street (in what used to be an all-white neighborhood). Fine blacks. Then we have a first-rate black magistrate and a black town clerk. But other than that, not much's changed, except the bridge was knocked out by the floods."

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is at a lively pace over the past two years.

Despite some vestiges of South African rule, including two white-only schools in Umtata and white-only wards in the main hospitals, most forms of racial discrimination have disappeared. Interracial couples, some of whom moved into Transkei from South Africa at its independence, live without fear of the police harassment and prosecution that they were subjected to in South Africa.

Of the 10,000 whites in Transkei before independence, it is estimated that about 7,000 remain. Only 10 have been granted Transkeian citizenship and 20 more have applied for it, according to the Transkei Department of Interior. The rest have been made "honorary blacks."

J.R. Williamson, a chartered accountant, is one of the applicants for citizenship. He came to Transkei in 1956 when it was still officially part of South Africa.

"There are good schools and churches here, the atmosphere is pleasant, it's a Christian country," Williamson said. "All the Transkeians ask of me is my positive good faith and sympathy."

Both blacks and whites report that race relations have harmonized.

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"One can shout loud and clear about South Africa," said the Rev. Mcebisai Xundu, 45. "But one cannot shout loud and clear against the present government here." Xundu was detained for three months without charge by Matanzima's security police for his statements against homeland leaders like Matanzima at the funeral of black consciousness leader Steve Biko.

Another Transkeian, Cecil Vaoda, who holds a degree in business administration from Colorado University, was held without charges for eight months before finally being charged with possession of a banned book. He was later acquitted.

Despite their rejection by the world and charges by their own Xhosa-speaking relatives who live outside Transkei that

they are "traitors" and "sellouts," Transkei government officials appear unperturbed at their predicament and optimistic that they will eventually win recognition. The recent visit of a representative of the Austrian Chamber of Commerce, which has close associations with the Austrian government, has given their confidence a boost.

Transkei deserves to be recognized, government officials say, because unlike the other

eight black homelands under the government's apartheid plan, Transkei was a bona fide nation dating from the 1880s. They maintain that their country was illegally annexed onto South African territory in the 1890s and that when the four provinces making up South Africa were joined in 1910, Britain should have made Transkei a protectorate as it did with the black areas of Lesotho, Swaziland and Botswana, all of which are now black

states and members of the United Nations.

One official, Finance Minister Tsepela Letlaka, said Transkei went about gaining independence the wrong way. What the country should have done, he said, was to "go over the border, grab 100 whites, including women and children, bring them back, call the press and shoot them. And we would be recognized because we would call ourselves revolutionaries. It's as simple as that," — (WP)



The countryside of the Transkei is still dotted with traditional huts.

French labor absurdities

By Marcus Eliason
PARIS — Everybody seems happy at Lucien Bichet's ornaments factory. The workers like their boss, the plant earns a steady profit and has never known a strike. It's an island of peace in the battlefield of French labor relations.

Thus many Frenchmen would be astounded to learn that Bichet is going on trial September 29 on charges of breaking the country's labor laws. The idyll at Bichet's factory has served, ironically, to bring the government and the trade unions into an alliance.

One problem is that for the past nine months, while much of French industry is plagued by labor unrest, Bichet's 160 workers have been contentedly working a four-day week, 10 hours a day.

The law does not permit more than a nine-hour day. "We are 99 percent in favor," says one of the workers. "It gives us a three-day weekend.

My wife (who also works at the plant) does the housework on Friday, and we have Saturday and Sunday free. We save on babysitters for the children and have more time with them."

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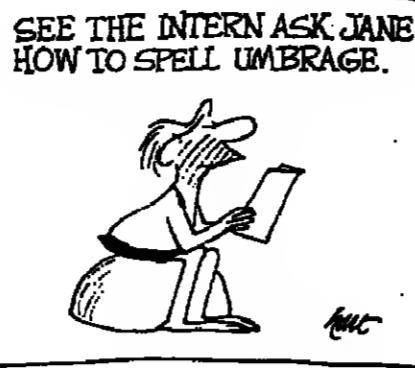
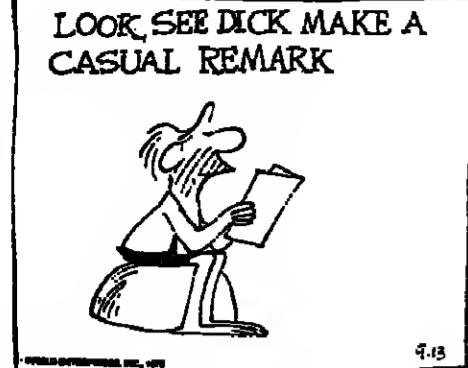
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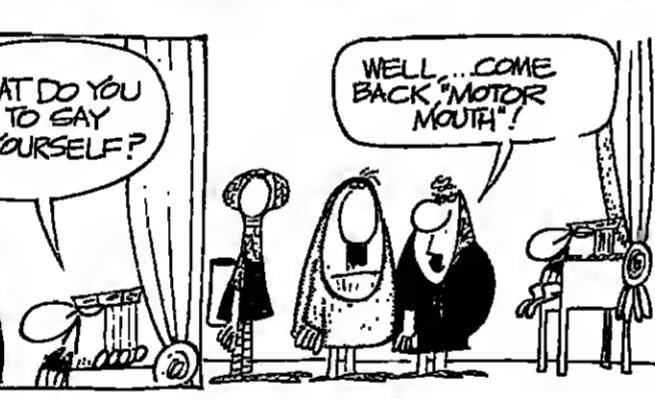
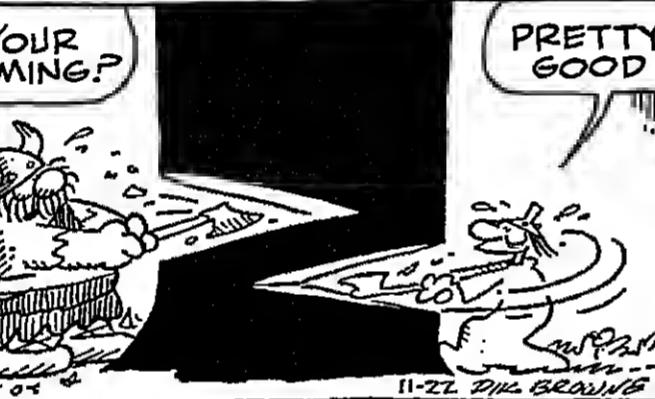
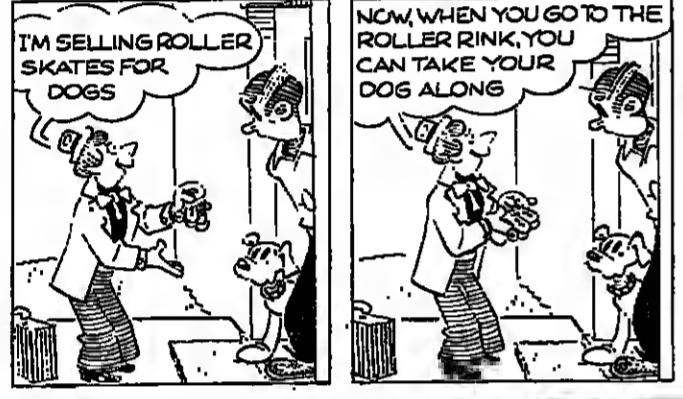
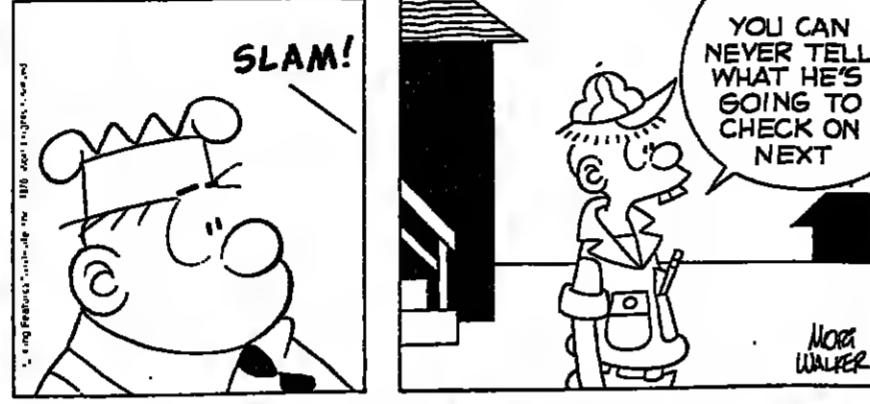
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WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:
The weather will start getting moderate over most parts of the Kingdom, while the western and southwestern highlands will have a pleasant weather with a concentration of rain clouds over them. Surface winds will blow northerly to northeasterly at moderate speed.

Sea conditions will be medium in the territorial waters. Monday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Jeddah	35	25	Tabuk	32	17
Riyadh	39	23	Turaif	35	17
Dhahran	29	23	Badanah	39	18
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8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analyses	10:30 VOA Magazine: America; Science; Cultural; Letter.
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9:00 Special English: News; Feature, The Making of a Nation News Summary	VOA WORLD REPORT
9:30 Music USA: (Standards)	Midnight News...newsmakers' voices...correspondents reports...background features...media comments...news analyses
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Dennis the Menace



Contract Bridge: B. Jay Becker

How Are Probabilities Computed?

North dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ A 5 4
♦ A 9 7 2
♦ K 10 5

WEST
♦ K 7 6 5 3 2
♦ J 10 9
♦ Q 10 4
♦ 9 7 6 3 2

EAST
♦ Q 8 5 6
♦ K 9 7 3 2
♦ J 8

SOUTH
♦ A 10 5 4 2
♦ 6
♦ 5 6 5
♦ A 4 4

The bidding:
North East South West
1 : Pass 1 + Pass
2 : Pass 3 + Pass
3 NT Pass 4 +
Opening lead — jack of hearts.

Dear Mr. Becker: Our group had a heated discussion about this deal where South was in four spades. Declarer took the heart lead in dummy with the ace, played a spade to the ace and 2 low spade lead, won with the king. South later lost a spade trick to the queen and also a diamond trick, but he made four.

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Because there are eight cases where the ace plays wins, and only six cases where the ten plays wins, it is better to play the ace and continue with a low spade.

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Second straight

Dodgers clinch NL West title

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 25 (AP) — Steve Garvey drove in three runs with a double and two singles and Bob Welch fired a five-hitter as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the San Diego Padres, 4-0, Sunday to clinch their second straight National League West championship.

Yankees 4, Indians 6

In the American League East pennant race, New York retained its one-game lead over Boston. New York's Ron Guidry fired a two-hitter for a club-record ninth shutout of the year, pacing the Yankees to a 4-0 victory over the Cleveland Indians and erasing the memory of Saturday night's 10-inning clobbering at Cleveland's hands.

Red Sox 7, Blue Jays 6

It took Boston 14 innings to edge last place Toronto.

Roy Howell's two-out throwing error in the 14th allowed Jim Rice to score from third, giving the Red Sox a 7-6 victory.

Phillies 8, Mets 2

In the NL East division, Philadelphia increased its lead over second-place Pittsburgh to four games.

Tim McCarver hit his first home run of the season, a

three-run blast, and Bake McBride smashed a solo homer to back the strong pitching of Steve Carlton as the Phillies defeated the Mets, 8-2, for their fourth straight victory.

Expos 6, Pirates 0

But in Montreal, rookie Scott Sanderson fired a three-hitter and the expos scored three first-inning runs to blank the Pirates, 4-0.

Twins 6, Royals 4

In Minnesota, Al West leader Kansas City dropped a game as Dan Ford's sixth-in-

ing home run snapped a tie and helped the Twins to a 6-4 victory.

Angels 7, White Sox 3

Second-place California's Don Baylor, a tie-breaking home run touched off a five-run, sixth-inning rally and carried the heavy-hearted Angels to a 7-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

Brewers 5, A's 2

Milwaukee's Mike Caldwell recorded his 21st victory and Robin Yount and Jim Wohl-

ford drove in two runs apiece, leading the Brewers to a 5-2 victory over the Oakland A's.

Giants 6-6, Astros 0-4

Stout pitching by Vida Blue and Jim Barr carried the San Francisco giants to a 6-0, 6-4 doubleheader sweep of the Houston Astros.

Blue, 18-9, scattered eight

hits and pitched his fourth

shutout of the season in the

opener as Darrell Evans and

Healy Cruz belted two-run

homers.

Tigers 4, Orioles 2

Aurelio Rodriguez and Alan Trammell singled to drive in ninth-inning runs and the Detroit Tigers defeated the Baltimore Orioles, 4-2, on four unearned runs.

Reds 2, Braves 1

In the NL, Tom Hume fired a three-hitter and George Foster scored both runs as the Cincinnati Reds nipped the Atlanta Braves and Jim Bouton, 2-1.

Cubs 5, Cardinals 4

Bill Buckner and Larry Blitner drilled run-scoring singles in the ninth inning to lift the Chicago Cubs to a 5-4 triumph over the St. Louis Cardinals.

The cosmos have had some disappointing results on tour, but Eddie Firmani, the club's South African manager, explained: "We have already played 40 games in five months at home and on tour."

Cruyff's decision to play will add new life to the American champions, who have plenty to prove to English soccer fans.

Tueart, who surprised experts when he elected to join the Cosmos at the height of his international career, said: "I aim to prove to people that my decision was correct."

Firmani also hopes to sign more players for his already star-studded line-up during the European tour.

He said Monday: "There are a few players that I would like to buy from this country, but I've also looked at a couple in Germany."

"We've still got plenty of money to spend, and we want to spend it."

Watson was under 70 all four rounds of the tournament at the Silverado Country Club.

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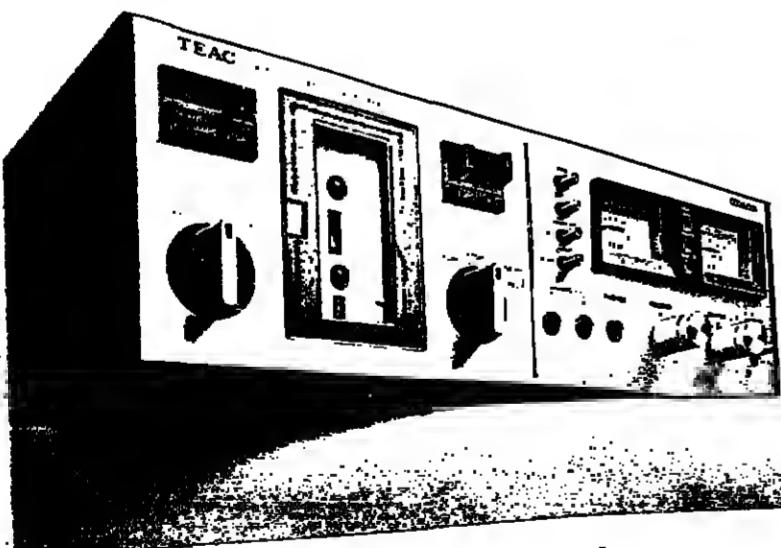
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GOLDEN MILER: Britain's Steve Ovett seen winning the 1000-meters gold at the Prague European championships last month, showed Monday he is also supreme over the mile.

At Napa

Watson coasts to 9th win of year

His 270 total was one over the tournament record set by 1971 winner Billy Casper.

Rich Watson received a \$40,000 first-place check after Sunday's round over Silverado's 6,870-yard, par-72 course.

He increased his 1978 tour earnings to \$343,429, virtually assuring himself of a second consecutive money-winning title, and he has won \$1,182,391 since starting the tour with NAPA's 1971 tournament.

Watson, who won \$310,000 on the tour last year, has al-

ready put together the most valuable consecutive seasons.

Richer

With a good finish in next weekend's \$300,000 World Series of Golf in Akron, Ohio, he could break Johnny Miller's PGA single-season record of \$353,021.

On the women's tour Sunday, Donna Caponi Young sank a 25-foot birdie putt on the third hole of a sudden-death playoff and teammate Kathy Whitworth won the \$100,000 Ladies Professional Golf Association team championship.

Yet another lawsuit filed in New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana, Sept. 25 (AP) — Fight promoter Bob Arum says a \$15 million law suit alleging that he slandered two partners in promoting the Ali-Spinks fight is nothing more than a "sick joke."

Arum, head of the boxing promotion firm Top Rank Inc., said Sunday night that the suit was meant to distract attention from an FBI probe into the finances of the fight.

It is the second damage suit to emerge from verbal duels that preceded and followed Ali's Sept. 15 victory.

Sherman Copelin and Don Hubbard, principals of Louisiana Sports Inc., claim that Bob Arum of Top Rank slandered and humiliated them and their wives and cost them future business.

Arum admitted calling the two "boodums" and "dangerous people," which the suit charged was slander "but 1

really can't regard it as anything more than just a sick joke. My contention is that that's fair comment and there's a legal defense which is known as truth. I stand by exactly what I said," Arum said.

The "real target" of the suit was "what the FBI might uncover", he said.

The suit further said Arum charged that the two had diverted funds from Louisiana Sports and pocketed some of the proceeds of ticket sales.

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Kenyan falls out

Ovett captures 'Golden Mile'

TOKYO, Sept. 25 (Agencies)

— Steve Ovett of Britain confirmed his position as the world's top miler when he streaked to victory in the 'Dubai Golden Mile' at an eight nation athletics meeting here Monday.

Ovett, the European and world cup athletics champion at 1500 meters, played his usual winking game before bursting away in the final stages to win in three minutes 55.5 seconds.

Second was Francis Gonzalez of France with 5:57.3, with another Briton, Graham Williamson, third in 5:59.2.

Kenya's Henry Ronu, holder of four world records in the 10,000, 5,000, 3,000 and 3,000 meters steeplechase, took a commanding lead in first lap but was forced to drop out half way though while still in

the race.

Ronu, who has had a pun-

ishing season, said afterwards he had been suffering from a glandular complaint.

"The doctor told me it was OK to run but after one lap it

up for challenge every year.

Otherwise, the Soviet Union

dominated the meet Monday.

New Zealand's Rod Dixon

took over from Ronu, trailed by Ovett and Gonzalez.

With about 300 meters left

Ovett changed gear to cruise

smoothly to victory.

It was always a tactical race, with Ovett determined to win rather than burn himself on the world mile record of 3:49.1 set by New Zealand's John Walker in Gothenburg, Sweden in 1975.

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he had been suffering from a

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"The doctor told me it was

OK to run but after one lap it

could hardly breathe."

Ovett received a gold trophy, valued at \$9,500, which will be

challenged by four to two against

challenger Viktor Korchnoi

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country club in the depths of

a forest.

Karpov, a late sleeper who

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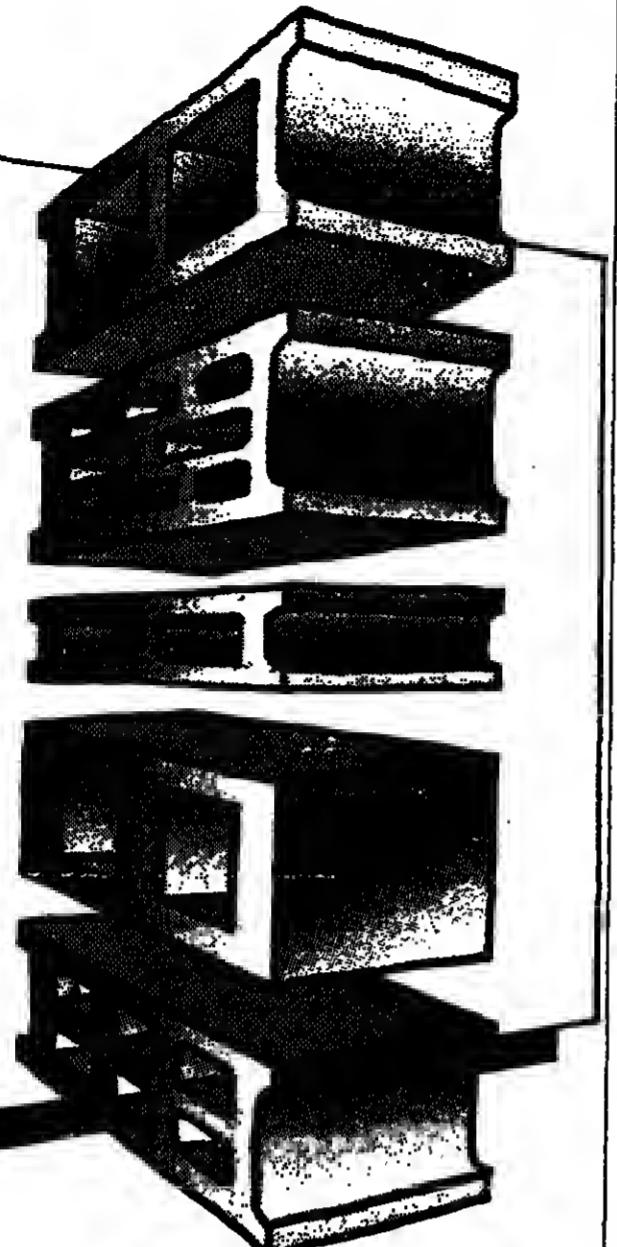
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Implicated in Buback murder

Jailed woman named as German terrorist

DORTMUND, Sept. 25 (R)—A woman captured after a gun-battle with police in a Dortmund wood was identified Monday as Angelika Speitel, 26, one of West Germany's most wanted terrorist suspects.

She is believed to have planned the escape route for the murderers of Federal Prosecutor Siegfried Buback in April last year.

Mrs. Speitel was caught Saturday after being wounded in a clash in which a policeman was shot dead.

Police said she had been po-

nitively identified by people who visited her Monday in hospital.

The delay in identification arose because police had no fingerprints.

Mrs. Speitel is also suspected of involvement in last year's murder of kidnapped industrialist Hanns-Marine Schleyer.

Her husband Volker was arrested on a train near Bremen last October and has been charged with membership of a criminal organization.

A second terrorist suspect captured with Mrs. Speitel was

identified Saturday as Michael Knoll, 27. He lay critically ill in hospital Monday, wounded during the battle.

A warrant for his arrest was issued on Friday after police found his fingerprints in a terrorist hide-out in Dusseldorf. Not counted among the hardcore, he was wanted for membership of a criminal organization.

A third terrorist suspect escaped in the battle which broke out when a police patrol car surprised the group having shooting practice.

They had been tipped off by

a resident who heard shooting in a wood south of the city. Swiss and Austrian passports were found on the two captured suspects.

Knoll had passports in the name of Friedrich Stenzel of Innsbruck and Martin Hecker of Zurich.

Mrs. Speitel had a passport describing her as Bettina Koch of Zurich.

Mrs. Speitel is the first hardcore terrorist suspect captured alive in West Germany since the arrest of Siegfried Haag in November 1976. Haag went on trial in Stuttgart Monday charged with masterminding a raid on the West German embassy in Stockholm in 1975.

Arrests of most terrorists over the last two years have taken place in other European countries, from Bulgaria to Britain.

On Sept. 6, police in Dusseldorf shot dead Willy Peter Stoll, one of the gang's central figures. Mrs. Speitel is known to have been a companion of Stoll.

Despite the recent successes, police are predicting an imminent terrorist attack.

Chicago action could stampede interest rates

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (AP)—What could be the latest round of prime rate rises?

Began Monday when First National Bank of Chicago, the eighth-largest U.S. commercial bank, boosted the interest rate it charges preferred corporate customers to 9½ percent from 9 percent.

It was the third increase in less than a month and the eighth this year. The prime rate stood at 7½ percent on Jan. 1.

The move follows another round of U.S. Federal Reserve interest rate hikes. The Fed moved late last week to raise the discount rate from 7½ percent to 8 percent.

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FRONT: Police were out in force in London Sunday to prevent clashes between the National Front, marching here with flags, and leftist demonstrators.

In Najaf, Iraq

Emigres say Iranian Ayatollah is virtually under house arrest

PARIS, Sept. 25 (R)—Iranian opposition groups in Paris claimed Monday that Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, a leading opposition figure, has been placed under virtual house arrest in Iraq.

They said he had been unable since Saturday to receive visitors or leave his home at Najaf, where he has lived for 15 years.

Meanwhile in Tehran, informed sources said Monday the Shah has named Dr. Ali Qoli Ardalan, a former foreign minister, as his minister of the imperial court.

Those who sent messages included King Juan Carlos, President Walter Scheel, President Anwar Sadat, King Hassan II, Giscard d'Estaing, President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan, Sultan Qaboos of Oman, the deputy commander in chief of Mauritius, the president of Cape Verde Islands.

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Leaders cable Khaled

RIYADH, Sept. 25—King Khaled Monday received more cables from world leaders congratulating him on National Day.

Crown Prince Fahd, who is deputizing for the King in his absence, replied.

They said Dr. Ardalan, 77, was scheduled to be formally appointed by the Shah Tuesday to replace ex-Premier Amir Abbas Hoveyda, who resigned during the recent political crisis.

Hoveyda, who had held the

position for the last year, since being sacked from the premiership, said he was stepping down to be ready for "later political activity."

Dr. Ardalan, a veteran diplomat of Kurdish origin, held several ambassadorial posts.

He was foreign minister in the 1950's but has been out of public life for more than a decade.

Also Monday, the Rastakhi Party ended its life as the country's only political group, but Javad Saeed, newly-elected secretary-general, denied reports that it was being dissolved.

Its board has agreed that groups could split off to form other parties, as one has already done, in preparation for Majlis elections scheduled next June—three months after the present six-month martial law is due to be lifted.

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Vance

against the peace objective.

Assad said that the Syrian and dialogue should continue cause of the shared hope accomplishing a just peace.

Also Kuwait has informed the United States that a proposed peace cannot be achieved if it does not include Syria and if it ignored the right of the Palestinians to self-determination.

The sources said that during the talks, which were also attended by Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam, Vance presented the American viewpoint on the agreements and replied to questions put by Assad.

Assad told Vance that Syria's objective would continue to be peace on the basis of U.N. resolution 338, which Syria saw as providing for Israel's full withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and the recovery of all Palestinian rights.

What happened at Camp David was inconsistent with resolution 338 and therefore ran

the source.

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The fate of peace depends therefore on the Knesset's decision on the issue of settlements," the commentary added.

140 killed

A navy flight surgeon said he saw the collision. "They hit head-on. It was unbelievable." After the collision, he said, the 727 went into a tailspin, "what we call a g-

yard spin in the navy will other plane trailing after

Commission says Indira's son rejected role in corrupt deal

NEW DELHI, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — A government commission stated Monday that former Defense Minister Bansi Lal tried unsuccessfully to involve the elder son of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in a plan to purchase two Boeing 737 aircraft, the United News of India reported.

The commission in a report as yet unreleased said there were insufficient grounds for corruption charges against Lal, who had been one of Mrs. Gandhi's closest advisers. The former defense mi-

nister faces charges in several other cases.

UNI said the report was expected to be made public this week.

India's Defense Ministry in the end decided not to buy the U.S. plane, preferring to continue using the Soviet-built TU-124 jetliner for official flights by state leaders.

The inquiry, headed by Justice P.J. Reddy, said Rajiv Gandhi, Mrs. Gandhi's son and a domestic airline pilot, was brought into the discussion on the Boeing 737 because officials wanted him to intercede on their behalf with

In Karnataka, Monday the Indira Congress Party of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi gained a seat from the Janata Party in by-election to the assembly of the south Indian state of Karnataka.

He thought that, if they suffered a serious setback, the Britons and Americans would squabble, and before they could reach a political agreement, we already would be in Brussels and Antwerp," Manteuffel said.

"He didn't realize that Eisenhower . . . did not require a political decision before reacting."

Manteuffel's troops fought in the two major encounters of the battle, at St. Vith and at Bastogne, which was surrounded but not captured. The German offensive folded as their supply system broke down, improved weather allowed the Allies to reassert their air superiority and, by Jan. 16, the counter-attacking U.S. 1st and 3rd Armies had linked to close

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Dollar hits skid row

LONDON Sept. 25 (R)—The battered dollar Monday produced two records—it plunged below 1.50 Swiss francs for the first time and sent the price of gold shooting to new heights.

The currency slumped to 1,4995 francs on the London foreign exchange markets Monday afternoon and within minutes it had retreated even further to 1,4885 francs. The dollar has now lost nearly 25 per cent of its value against the Swiss franc since the beginning of this year.

It's fall sent gold to a record \$218.40 an ounce. It had only Monday morning established a record by climbing to \$216.65 an ounce on the London bullion market, but that record fell in the afternoon trading.

The dollar has taken a severe beating on the world's foreign exchange markets this summer. Its depreciation became so serious last month that U.S. authorities were forced to intervene with support measures. But the effect seems to have worn off and the U.S. currency has resumed its downward spiral.

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Rhodesia discloses month-long incursions

SALISBURY, Sept. 25

—Rhodesia disclosed for first time Monday that forces have been engaged continuous operations in Zambia and Mozambique at least a month.

The announcement made by the military in press briefing on last we major operation against riot Front guerrillas inside Mozambique.

Guerrilla deaths had into hundreds" during four-day mission.

Although no raids Zambia this month had reported before an off said continuous forays been mounted across the Z besi into Zambia and "terrorists" have suffered considerable number of casualties."

He added that Rhodesia troops operated inside Zambia daily on tac missions.

He listed seven example incursions never before n public and said raids Zambia and Mozambique would continue.

"There is a sense of de ration on the part of the riot Front to deploy as m as possible into Rhodesia disrupt our intended elect and it is our task to ens as far as possible, the int government's plans in this g and are not frustrated."

Documents captured guerrilla bases apparently ed 20 Rhodesians—fo them white civilians — being held captive in Mo bique.

The official urged the International Red Cross to tak the question of the ci prisoners with the Patri Front in the strongest p terms.



SAUDI SQUAD: After a scrimmage, the Saudi national players posed for 'Arab News'. From left to right they are Saleh Naima, Majed Abdullah, Yusuf Khamis, Issa Hamdan, Salim Marwan, Ibrahim Mariki, Anba Jasim, Ahmad Saqir (injured). Seated: Tewfik Al-Migren, Saleh Khalifa, Fahd Habshi, Ibrahim Tabsim, Sultan Nasib, Miftah Qarib, Saud Jasim, Issa Khalifa.

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